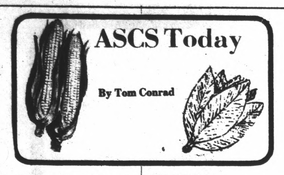


All Farms Required To Report Program Crop Acreages - The ASCS office has been notified that because of possible changes in farm legislation, Appomattox County farmers will need to report their wheat, barley, corn and grain sorghum acreage.

Both Congressional Agriculture Committees have reported out farm bills which provide that if a set-aside is implemented for 1978 crops, the acreage required to be set-aside may be based on a percentage of the acreage planted for harvest in 1977. Neither version of the Bill proposes to use acreage planted in 1977 as a basis for establishing acreage allotments, however.

Farmers are to report the acreage of wheat, barley, corn and grain sorghum crops planted for harvest in 1977 prior to harvest. Farmers who have already begun on completed harvest should contact the ASCS office immediately.

Farmers who fail to report planted acreage will be considered to have no planted acreage and may be ineligible for program benefits in 1978.

Flue-cured tobacco planted acreage will need to be reported by June 14, 1977. Final reporting date for fire-cured, sun-cured and Maryland tobacco is June 30, 1977.

ASCS employees will make spot checks of farms to assure that acreage reports are accurate.

The county ASCS office has already started accepting acreage reports.

Virginia Winter Wheat Forecast Is 6,235,000 Bushels - The 1977 winter wheat production in Virginia is forecast at 6,235,000 bushels, DOWN FROM 1976's 1,680,000 bushel crop. Virginia's 1975 production was 9,052,000 bushels.

Yield of Virginia's winter wheat is expected to average 29 bushels per acre in 1977. Last year the crop averaged 32 bushels per acre and in 1975, 31 bushels. Acres harvested in Virginia this season should be about 215,000 acres.

USDA crop reporting figures as of May 1 show that nationally, the winter wheat crop will total about 1.477 million bushels. This is down 6 percent from last year's 1,566 million bushel crop and 11 percent less than the 1975 record crop of 1,653 million bushels.

Yield is expected to average 30.9 bushels per acre, nationally. Last year the crop averaged 31.6 bushels per acre and 32.1 bushels in 1975. In the Pacific Northwest where drought conditions have persisted during the winter and spring, yield is off sharply from last year. But it is forecast near last year's level in the soft red winter producing acreas. Yields in most major hard red winter producing states are forecast higher than last year.

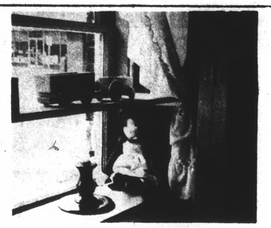
Growers expect to harvest 47.8 million acres, 4 percent less than last year's 49.5 million acres, and 7 percent less than the 1975's 51.6 million acre crop.

PURDUE RECOGNIZED FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

William Purdue, an Appomattox County High School senior, has been judged area winner of the FFA Foundation proficiency award for fish and wildlife management. Purdue, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Purdue, RFD 3, Appomattox.

This award recognizes the efforts of FFA members to improve the availability of fish and wildlife. William has carried out ten conservation practices including planting seed patches for feed and cover and stocking ponds. He and his father work closely with the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

His accomplishments will be judged along with five other area winners in determining the state award. Recognition of the state winner will be a feature of the 1977 State FFA Convention at Blacksburg June 14-17.



ARTS & CRAFTS CENTER SETS NEW SUMMER HOURS

The Historic Appomattox Station Arts & Crafts Center will be open workdays starting May 31st and continuing throughout the summer. New hours that the shop in the Main Street Railroad Station will be open are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Arts & Crafts Center will be closed on Mondays except for holidays such as Memorial Day when regular daily open hours of 10 to 5 will be observed.

There are many new items in the shop this year, more things are coming daily as new members join and older members bring in more items. Membership is open to all Appomattox County residents. A person must be a member of H.A. S.A.C. C. in order to consign things for sale in the shop.

Anyone interested in joining may do so by paying a small fee and being assigned a membership number. New memberships are accepted at the shop any day the shop is open.

Festival of Recommitment To Be Held June 4

The Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia will hold a "Festival of Recommitment" on Sat., June 4, in Norfolk's Scope Convention Center.

The Festival Day is a highlight of the Diocese's year of "Recommitment '77", called by Diocesan Bishop David Rose. In his address to the 1976 Annual Council in Williamsburg, Bishop Rose asked for a "Dedication on the part of us all to the rediscovery of the Christian faith as this Church understands it . . . our own personal, live acceptance of that faith . . . and a commitment to its translation into living expressions." The Council responded with an overwhelming vote to endorse 1977 as a Year of Recommitment, and the planning began.

The first major event was at the succeeding Annual Council last February, again in Williamsburg. A Diocesan dedication of Recommitment '77 was followed by parish dedications on Feb. 23, Ash Wednesday. Since then, several programs have been held at the parish and convocation level, to encourage individual study and meditation.

And now, the 38 thousand members of the Diocese's 121 churches have been invited to the Festival Day in Scope. The honored guest and preacher will be the Most Reverend John Allin, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

The day will begin with a Service of Baptism at 10:30 a.m. A bring-your-own picnic is scheduled for 12:noon. At 1:15 p.m. the Diocese will celebrate Holy Communion.

The Festival Day will end in mid-afternoon, rather than stay overnight in Norfolk, because the next day is Trinity Sunday. It is hoped those who attend the Festival will be back in their own parishes Trinity Sunday to share the Festival of Recommitment with each other and with those who could not attend.

In his call for a Year of Recommitment, Bishop Rose emphasized individual participation: "A call for a deepening of individual commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and to His Church, so that each one of us may be reawakened to the fullness of the ministries to which we are called."

CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS

Virginia Fibre Reports Wood Purchases

Listed below in the total dollar volume of wood purchased by Virginia Fibre Corporation of Riverville for the week ending May 22, 1977. Purchases are listed by counties.

Albermarle	798.46
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Amherst	5,747.17
Appomattox	8,577.92
Augusta	-
Bedford County	2,442.92
Buckingham	5,459.72
Campbell	2,938.91
Charlotte	-
Cumberland	1,596.07
Goochland	-
Nelson	6,461.10
Prince William	746.24
Pittsylvania	-
Prince Edward	-

We feel that this information is of interest to readers in our county as well as those in adjoining areas.

FOR THE FINEST IN OFFICE SUPPLIES SEE THE TIMES-VIRGINIAN Court Street Appomattox, Va.

GRADUATES FROM VA. UNION

Ms. Helen Murdock Roberts, daughter of Ms. Ada Murdock, Rt. 3, Lynchburg, received the Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Va. Union University, Richmond.

She served as President of the University's Women's Senate, is a member of Phi Beta Lambda, business fraternity, was elected to Who's Who in America, Colleges and Universities.

She is a graduate of the former Campbell County High School.

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First of all, you have no choice but to buff it out. Run, and he's sure to strike, because dogs are excited by a moving target. Instead, stand still with your legs together and your arms folded on your chest (to make your extremities less tempting bite-objects), and talk to the dog in a firm, steady voice. After it calms down, take one step forward, then, if the animal doesn't object, take another and proceed slowly on your way, pausing after each step. If the dog threatens when you move forward put your legs in reverse and backtrack slowly instead. Still facing him, move back slowly, one step at a time. If this doesn't work and the dog is determined to attack - tell him to wait until you read next week's column which will cover this situation.

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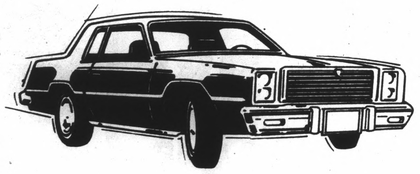

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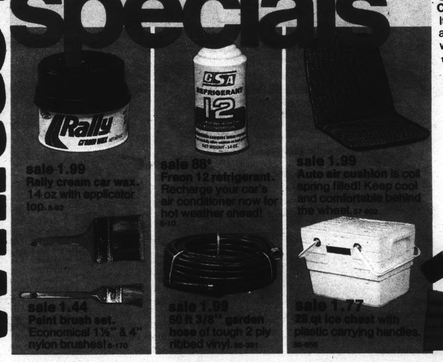

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